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GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

11th June 1878, No. 2,450 W.

General.
Establishment.

Read the following paper :—

No. 73. From Major L. CONWAY-GORDON, R.E., Examiner of Public Works Accounts, to the Secretary to Government, Public Works Department, General Branch, dated Chepauk, 6th June 1878, No. 78 W.

I HAVE the honor to acknowledge the receipt of G.O., No. 2,084 W, dated 8th May 1878, and I notice from the correspondence printed with this order that the District Engineer, Salem, in paragraph 2 of his letter, No. 22 SL, dated 17th April 1878, has pointed out to Government the inconvenience that not unnaturally has been felt by him from the delay that occurred in reporting this case of Namasivaya Pillay to Government.

2. There were, however, in this particular case circumstances which the District Engineer, Salem, has doubtless forgotten and which absolutely prevented this office from taking any action in the matter earlier than the beginning of March 1878.

3. The first time that Sub-Overseer's name appeared before this office was in the salary bill of the Tirupatur Division for October 1877, and his salary was then passed provisionally pending the usual information regarding his health, age, &c., &c. The disallowance list is dated 22nd November 1877, to which as no reply had then been received a reminder issued on the 10th December 1877.

4. In the reply received from the District Engineer on the 14th December the submission was promised of the usual health certificate, &c., but it was not until the 4th March that the District Engineer's report of the Sub-Overseer's age reached this office.

5. Of the eight months' delay noticed by the District Engineer, I regret I should have to acknowledge the responsibility of even one month. I found it, however, at that time almost impossible to strengthen the establishment branch of my office to the extent necessary to dispose with ordinary punctuality of the immense increase in the number of salary and other bills due to the famine.

No. 74. ORDER THEREON, 11th June 1878, No. 2,450 W.

ORDERED to be recorded.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) E. A. FOORD, Colonel, R.E.,
Secretary to Govt., P.W.D.

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Govt. of (1878) Madras
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To

Dated June 11*th.*

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G. O., 11*th June* 1878, *No.* 2,450 W.

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Namasivaya Pillay:—Examiner's explanation anent the appointment of —, ordered to be recorded.

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FROM THE EXAMINER, P.W.ACCOUNTS,

MADRAS.

TO THE SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT,

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT,

GENERAL BRANCH.

NO. 78 W. CHEPAK, 6TH. JUNE 1878.

SIR,

I HAVE THE HONOR TO ACKNOWLEDGE THE RECEIPT OF G.O.NO. 2084.W.DATED 8TH.MAY 1878, AND I NOTICE FROM THE CORRESPONDENCE PRINTED WITH THIS ORDER THAT THE DISTRICT ENGINEER, SALEM, IN PARA 2 OF HIS LETTER NO.22.S.L.DATED 17TH.APRIL 1878, HAS POINTED OUT TO GOVERNMENT THE INCONVENIENCE THAT NOT UNNATURALLY HAS BEEN FELT BY HIM FROM THE DELAY THAT OCCURRED IN REPORTING THIS CASE OF NAMASIVAYA PILLAY TO GOVERNMENT.

2. THERE WERE HOWEVER IN THIS PARTICULAR CASE, CIRCUMSTANCES WHICH THE DISTRICT ENGINEER, SALEM, HAS DOUBTLESS FORGOTTEN AND WHICH ABSOLUTELY PREVENTED THIS OFFICE FROM TAKING ANY ACTION IN THE MATTER EARLIER THAN THE BEGINNING OF MARCH 1878.

3. THE FIRST TIME THAT SUB-OVERSEER'S NAME APPEARED BEFORE THIS OFFICE WAS IN THE SALARY BILL OF THE TIRUPATUR DIVISION FOR OCTOBER 1877, AND HIS SALARY WAS THEN

PASSED PROVISIONALLY PENDING THE USUAL INFORMATION REGARDING HIS HEALTH, AGE ETC. ETC. THE DISALLOWANCE LIST IS DATED 22ND. NOVEMBER 1877, TO WHICH AS NO REPLY HAD THEN BEEN RECEIVED A REMINDER ISSUED ON THE 10TH. DECEMBER 1877.

4. IN THE REPLY RECEIVED FROM THE DISTRICT ENGINEER ON THE 14TH. DECEMBER, THE SUBMISSION WAS PROMISED OF THE USUAL HEALTH CERTIFICATE ETC., BUT IT WAS NOT UNTIL THE 4TH. MARCH THAT THE DISTRICT ENGINEER'S REPORT OF THE SUB-OVERSEER'S AGE REACHED THIS OFFICE.

5. OF THE EIGHT MONTHS' DELAY NOTICED BY THE DISTRICT ENGINEER, I REGRET, I SHOULD HAVE TO ACKNOWLEDGE THE RESPONSIBILITY OF EVEN ONE MONTH. I FOUND IT HOWEVER, AT THAT TIME ALMOST IMPOSSIBLE TO STRENGTHEN THE ESTABLISHMENT BRANCH OF MY OFFICE TO THE EXTENT NECESSARY TO DISPOSE WITH ORDINARY PUNCTUALITY OF THE IMMENSE INCREASE IN THE NUMBER OF SALARY AND OTHER BILLS DUE TO THE FAMINE.

I HAVE THE HONOR TO BE,

SIR,

YOUR MOST OBEDIENT SERVANT,

L. Conway-Gordon

EXAMINER, P.W. ACCOUNTS AND MAJOR R.E.

EXD. WC
4-6-78.

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6-6-78.

G.O. No. 2084 W. of 8 May/78

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No. 644.

FROM THE EXAMINER, P.W. ACCOUNTS,
MADRAS.

TO THE SECY. TO GOVT.
P.W.D. GENL. BRCH.

NO. 78 W.

DATED 6TH. JUNE 1878.

RECD. 7th

Genl Estabt

No. 2450 W. of 11 June/78.

POINTING OUT THE CIRCUMSTANCES WHICH PREVENTED THIS OFFICE FROM TAKING ANY ACTION IN THE APPOINTMENT OF SUB-OVERSEER NAMASIVAYA PILLAY EARLIER THAN MARCH 1878.

Lt. To be ~~lodged~~ recorded

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G. O., 11 June 1878, No. 2250 W

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